

## CLAIMS

1. A system for the removal of unwanted hair by means of a template and a depilatory agent; said system adapted to the provision of a pattern formed by  
5 said removal.
2. The system of claim 1 wherein said template is adapted to provide said pattern in negative or positive form.
3. The system of claim 1 wherein said unwanted hair  
10 includes that of the scalp.
4. The system of claim 1 wherein said unwanted hair includes pubic hair.
5. The system of claim 1 wherein said unwanted hair includes chest hair.
- 15 6. The system of any one of claims 1 to 5 wherein said template is in the form of flexible sheeting.
7. The system of claim 6 wherein a cut-out portion in the middle of said flexible sheeting defines said pattern in positive form.
- 20 8. The system of claim 6 wherein the shaped periphery of said flexible sheeting defines said pattern in negative form.

9. The system of claim 7 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to hair exposed by said cut-out portion of said flexible sheeting.
10. The system of claim 8 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to hair exposed around said shaped periphery of said flexible sheeting.
11. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes razors.
12. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes electric shavers.
13. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes spray-on formulations.
14. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes waxes.
15. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes creams.
16. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes mousse.
17. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes gels.

18. The system of any one of claims 1 to 10 wherein said depilatory agent includes a chemical formulation adapted to form a coating on a surface of said flexible sheeting.

5 19. The system of claim 18 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a coating of said chemical formulation.

10 20. The system of claim 19 wherein said coating substantially covers said flexible sheeting and extends to the edges of said cut-out portion defining said pattern.

15 21. The system of claim 19 wherein said coating substantially covers said flexible sheeting and extends to said shaped periphery of said flexible sheeting defining said pattern.

20 22. The system of claim 18 wherein said chemical formulation is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to define said pattern approximately in the middle of said flexible sheeting; said pattern being devoid of said chemical formulation.

23. The system of claim 18 wherein said chemical formulation is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to define said pattern approximately in the

middle of said flexible sheeting; only said pattern being coated with said chemical formulation.

24. The system of any one of claims 1 to 6 wherein said template includes a layer of flexible absorbent material.

25. The system of claim 24 wherein said flexible absorbent material includes woven cloth.

26. The system of claim 24 or 25 wherein said flexible absorbent material is impregnated with a depilatory agent.

27. The system of any one of claims 24 to 26 wherein said flexible absorbent material is provided on a first side with a laminated layer of impervious material.

28. The system of any one of claims 24 to 27 wherein said flexible absorbent material is provided with a peel-off layer of impervious material on a side opposite said first side.

29. The system of any one of claims 18 to 28 wherein said depilatory agent includes a colouring agent adapted to apply a colour to skin exposed by said depilatory agent.

30. A method for the provision of a pattern in an area of hair by removing a defined portion of said area of hair; said pattern being defined by a boundary between removed hair and remaining hair; said method including the steps of:

- (d) preparing a template defining said pattern,
- (e) application of said template to said area of hair,
- (f) application of a depilatory agent to portions of said area of hair as defined by said template.

31. The method of claim 30 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a central cut-out portion; said cut-out portion defining said pattern.

32. The method of claim 31 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to hair exposed by said central cut-out portion.

33. The method of claim 30 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a shaped periphery to conform to said pattern.

34. The method of claim 33 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to hair exposed around said shaped periphery.

35. The method of claim 30 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a central cut-out portion; said cut-out portion defining said pattern; said flexible sheeting provided with a coating of depilatory agent.

36. The method of claim 30 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a shaped periphery to conform to said pattern; said flexible sheeting provided with a coating of depilatory agent.

37. The method of claim 30 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting; said flexible sheeting provided with a selectively applied coating of depilatory agent defining said pattern.

38. The method of claim 37 wherein said coating is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to substantially cover the underside of said flexible sheeting but excluding a central portion defining said pattern.

39. The method of claim 37 wherein said coating is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to cover a middle portion of the underside of said flexible sheeting; said portion defining said pattern.

40. The method of any one of claims 30 to 33 wherein said depilatory agent includes a range of agents;

said range including waxes, razors, creams, mousse, gels and spray formulations.

41. The method of any one of claims 30 to 40 wherein said flexible sheeting includes a range of sheeting material; said range including paper and plastic.

42. The method of any one of claims 30 to 40 wherein said flexible sheeting includes absorbent material.

43. The method of claim 42 wherein said absorbent material includes woven cloth.

44. The method of claim 42 or 43 wherein said depilatory agent is impregnated in said absorbent material.

45. The method of any one of claims 42 to 44 wherein said absorbent material is provided on a first side with a laminated layer of impervious material.

46. The method of any one of claims 42 to 45 wherein said absorbent material is provided with a peel-off layer of impervious material on a side opposite said first side.

47. The method of any one of claims 35 to 46 wherein said depilatory agent includes a colouring agent adapted to apply a colour to skin exposed by said depilatory agent.

48. The system of any one of claims 1 to 29 and as hereinbefore particularly described with reference to what is shown in figures 1 to 5.

49. A method as defined in any one of claims 30 to 47 and hereinbefore particularly described with reference to what is shown in figures 1 to 5.



**AMENDED CLAIMS**

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new claims 50 to 98 added (8 pages)]

50. A system for the provision of a pattern of pubic hair; said pattern defined by removal of at least a portion of said pubic hair; said system comprising a template and a depilatory agent applied for removal of said portion.
51. The system of claim 50 wherein said template is adapted to provide said pattern in negative or positive form.
52. The system of claim 50 or 51 wherein said template is in the form of flexible sheeting.
53. The system of claim 52 wherein at least one cut-out portion in a central portion of said flexible sheeting defines said pattern in positive form.
54. The system of claim 52 wherein a shaped periphery of said flexible sheeting defines said pattern in negative form.
55. The system of claim 53 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to said pubic hair exposed by said cut-out portion of said flexible sheeting.
56. The system of claim 54 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to said pubic hair exposed around said shaped periphery of said flexible sheeting.

57. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes razors.
58. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes electric shavers.
59. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes spray-on formulations.
60. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes waxes.
61. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes creams.
62. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes mousse.
63. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes gels.
64. The system of any one of claims 1 to 56 wherein said depilatory agent includes a chemical formulation adapted to form a coating on a surface of said flexible sheeting.
65. The system of claim 50 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a coating of said chemical formulation.

66. The system of claim 65 wherein said coating substantially covers said flexible sheeting and extends to edges of said at least one cut-out portion defining said pattern.
67. The system of claim 65 wherein said coating substantially covers said flexible sheeting and extends to said shaped periphery of said flexible sheeting defining said pattern.
68. The system of claim 65 wherein said chemical formulation is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to define an area forming said pattern approximately in a central portion of said flexible sheeting; said area being devoid of said chemical formulation.
69. The system of claim 65 wherein said chemical formulation is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to define an area forming said pattern approximately in a central portion of said flexible sheeting; only said area being coated with said chemical formulation.
70. The system of any one of claims 1 to 69 wherein said template includes a layer of flexible absorbent material.

71. The system of claim 70 wherein said flexible absorbent material includes woven cloth.
72. The system of claim 70 or 71 wherein said flexible absorbent material is impregnated with a depilatory agent.
73. The system of any one of claims 70 to 72 wherein said flexible absorbent material is provided on a first side with a laminated layer of impervious material.
74. The system of claim 73 wherein said flexible absorbent material is provided with a peel-off layer of impervious material on a side opposite said first side.
75. The system of any one of claims 65 to 74 wherein said depilatory agent includes a colouring agent adapted to apply a colour to skin exposed by said depilatory agent.
76. A method for the provision of a pattern of pubic hair by removing at least one defined portion of said pubic hair; said pattern being defined by a boundary between removed pubic hair and remaining pubic hair; said method including the steps of:
- (a) preparing a template defining said pattern,

- (b) application of said template to said pubic hair,
  - (c) application of a depilatory agent to said at least one defined portion of said pubic hair as defined by said template.
77. The method of claim 76 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a central cut-out portion; said cut-out portion defining said pattern.
78. The method of claim 77 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to said pubic hair exposed by said central cut-out portion.
79. The method of claim 76 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a shaped periphery to conform to said pattern.
80. The method of claim 79 wherein said depilatory agent is applied to said pubic hair exposed around said shaped periphery.
81. The method of claim 76 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a central cut-out portion; said cut-out portion defining said pattern; said flexible sheeting provided with a coating of depilatory agent.
82. The method of claim 76 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting provided with a shaped

periphery to conform to said pattern; said flexible sheeting provided with a coating of depilatory agent.

83. The method of claim 76 wherein said template comprises flexible sheeting; said flexible sheeting provided with a selectively applied coating of depilatory agent defining said pattern.
84. The method of claim 83 wherein said coating is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to substantially cover one side of said flexible sheeting but excluding a central portion defining said pattern.
85. The method of claim 83 wherein said coating is applied to said flexible sheeting so as to cover a middle portion of said one side of said flexible sheeting; said portion defining said pattern.
86. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said depilatory agent includes waxes.
87. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said depilatory agent includes razors.
88. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said depilatory agent includes creams.
89. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said depilatory agent includes mousse.

90. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said depilatory agent includes gels and spray formulations.
91. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said flexible sheeting includes paper.
92. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said flexible sheeting includes plastic.
93. The method of any one of claims 76 to 85 wherein said flexible sheeting includes absorbent material.
94. The method of claim 93 wherein said absorbent material includes woven cloth.
95. The method of claim 93 or 94 wherein said depilatory agent is impregnated in said absorbent material.
96. The method of any one of claims 93 to 95 wherein said absorbent material is provided on a first side with a laminated layer of impervious material.
97. The method of claim 96 wherein said absorbent material is provided with a peel-off layer of impervious material on a side opposite said first side.
98. The method of any one of claims 76 to 97 wherein said depilatory agent includes a colouring agent

adapted to apply a colour to skin exposed by sad  
depilatory agent.